

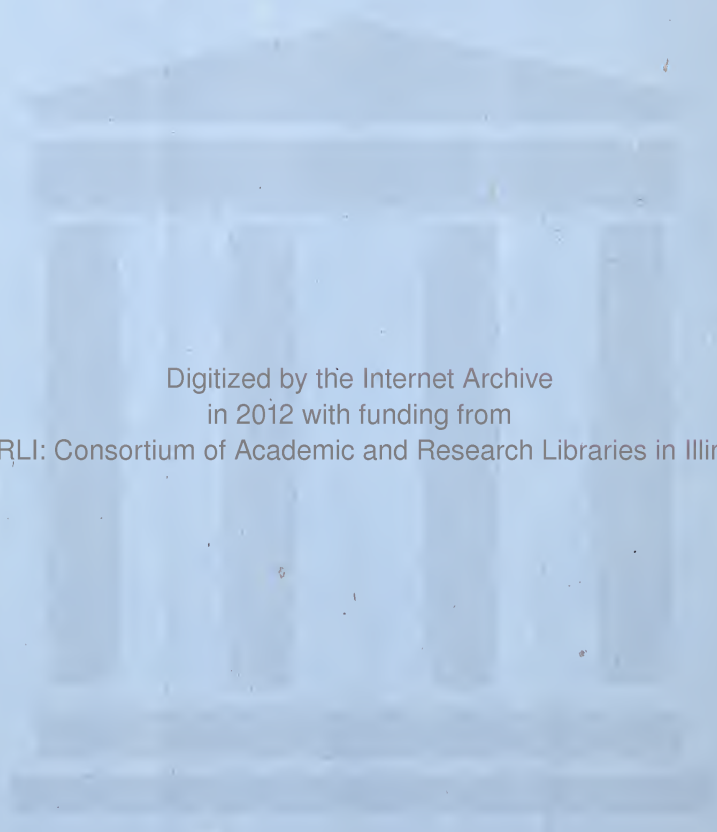
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ANNUAL REPORTS
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DESIGN OF THE INSTITUTION.

The object of this institution is to furnish the sick poor with medical attendance and medicine gratuitously.

To diffuse vaccination by unwearied and continuous effort, and to accomplish this work in the most faithful manner, and at the least possible expense.

MEANS OF SUPPORT.

The Dispensary is supported by the income from a fund of ten thousand dollars, invested in safe securities, and by voluntary contributions.

Donations received by Dr. Philip Adolphus, Financial Superintendent, No. 638 West Washington Street.

INVITATION TO VISITORS.

All who desire to obtain a better personal knowledge of the necessity of such institutions, their practical benefits to the sick poor, and their claims on the liberality of our citizens, are invited to visit the Dispensary and judge for themselves.

LOCATION.

The Dispensary is located at No. 239 West Van Buren Street, between Sangamon and Peoria.

OFFICE HOURS—11 to 12 A. M., and 2 to 4 P. M. daily.

CENTRAL FREE DISPENSARY

OF WEST CHICAGO.

Officers.

A. E. BISHOP, PRESIDENT.
A. G. THROOP, VICE-PRESIDENT.
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J. P. ROSS, M.D., TREASURER.

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PHILIP ADOLPHUS, M.D.	J. W. FARLIN.
JOHN F. EBERHART.	NORMAN BRIDGE, M.D.
HUGH TEMPLETON.	J. W. HUTCHINS, M.D.
P. W. GATES.	

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R. G. BOGUE, M.D.

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H. VAN BUREN, M.D.

O. C. OLIVER, M.D.

J. H. ETHERIDGE, M. D.

P. C. WHIDDEN, M.D.

ERASMUS GARROTT, M.D.

PHILIP ADOLPHUS, M.D., *Financial Superintendent.*

J. W. HUTCHINS, M.D., *Medical Superintendent.*

REPORT.

IN accordance with custom, the Medical Board of the Central Free Dispensary most respectfully report to the Directors, that during the past three years ending June 30, 1873, 29,330 persons were treated, who made 35,672 visits at the Dispensary; 17,200 visits were made at the homes of the sick; 6,270 vaccinations were performed, and 38,683 prescriptions were compounded; making an aggregate of seven thousand six hundred and thirty-four (7,634) persons who have been vaccinated, as well as thirty-three thousand seven hundred and fifty-nine (33,759) patients who have received the benefits of the Dispensary, since its opening in 1867.

In this enumeration is included the work performed by the Herrick Dispensary, from its foundation, December 5, 1871, to its union with the Central Dispensary, June 1, 1873, as shown by the following table:

Report of work done by Herrick Dispensary, from Dec. 5, 1871, to June 1, 1873.

Number Patients treated, ...	13,784
Number Visits at Dispensary, ...	16,281
Number Visits at Homes, ...	6,718
Number Prescriptions, ...	12,708
Number Vaccinations, ...	1,757

The Medical Board is gratified in being enabled to offer to the Board of Directors so encouraging a report of the prosperity of the Dispensary. It will be seen that an unusually large number of patients have availed themselves of advice and treatment during the past three years. This is attributable to the increase of population of the City, as well as to the destitution caused by the great fire of 1871, when this institution, as well as the Herrick Dispensary, was enabled, —through the instrumentality of the Chicago Relief and Aid Society, which furnished the necessary funds—to attend to the wants of the sick poor of the West Division of the City and County. The benefit conferred on many patients has

been great, at a trifling expense to the institution, and comparatively little loss of time; many ailments, small in themselves, have by timely assistance been prevented from assuming proportions which would result in permanent disability.

Those unable to apply in person at the Dispensary have been visited at their homes and supplied with medicines, and all have been encouraged to apply to us, without fear of expense, at the very commencement of their diseases, that they may be arrested in their incipency. The medicines and medical attendance are tendered gratuitously.

An object of great solicitation has been to spread the benefits of vaccination, and we have urged its advantages on all to whom we had access. Thus, by the prevention of small-pox, a great boon is conferred on the community, and pestilence is prevented.

This institution rests the claim for its support on the great good it is doing, and on the economy of its administration. The number of patients supported in the hospitals and almshouse is diminished, thereby reducing public taxation. The baneful consequences of the disruption of families are guarded against. We aim to restore the applicant in the shortest period to usefulness, labor and self-support, and to diminish disease and poverty.

We feel the more encouraged from the fact that the beneficial influence of the Dispensary has been recognized by the Chicago Relief and Aid Society, which has donated nine thousand dollars (five thousand dollars to the Herrick Dispensary, and four thousand dollars to the Central Dispensary). The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Cook County has also appropriated the sum of one thousand dollars for the medical care of the County's poor of the West Division during the current year.

The Medical Board can but believe that the Directors feel thankful for the support given this enterprise during the past three years, and its results justify the expectation of a support during the coming year commensurate with its extending usefulness and increasing needs.

DISEASES TREATED

BY THE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS DURING THE THREE YEARS
ENDING JUNE 30, 1873.

Measles	433	Lumbago	370
Chicken Pox	178	Rheumatism, Acute	280
Scarlatina	146	" Chronic	677
Diphtheria	78	Dropsy	109
Croup	135	Cancer	51
Tonsilitis	563	Anæmia	160
Mumps	185	Scrofula	381
Whooping Cough	587	Hip Disease	28
Typhoid Fever	170	Phthisis Pulmonalis	484
Erysipelas	141	Hydrocephalus, Acute	26
Puerperal Fever	6	Softening of Brain	10
Carbuncle	19	Concussion "	32
Boils	291	Compression "	28
Influenza	249	Encephalitis	38
" Dysentery, Acute	230	Apoplexy	4
" Chronic	115	Paraplegia	10
Diarrhœa, Acute	759	Hemiplegia	5
" Chronic	252	Progressive Locomotor Ataxia	1
Cholera Morbus	147	Insanity	8
" Infantum	619	Chorea	51
Intermittent Fever	545	Shaking Palsy	12
Remittent "	255	Mania	3
Syphilis, Primary	284	Epilepsy	40
" Secondary	223	Sunstroke	25
" Tertiary	136	Convulsions	294
Gonorrhœa	340	Hysteria	95
Gonorrhœal Ophthalmia	10	Neuralgia	495
Stricture of Urethra	41	Pericarditis	63
Bronchocele	9	Aneurism of Aorta	8
Purpura	5	Hypertrophy of Heart	22
Scurvy	4	Angina Pectoris	10
Delirium Tremens	28	Valvular Disease of Heart	72
Intemperance	242	Varicose Veins	148
Scabies	201	Laryngitis	25
Lumbricoides	397	Bronchitis, Acute	1,030
Tape Worm	64	" Chronic	585
Gout	57	Pleurisy	127

Pleuro-Pneumonia	91	Psoriasis	141
Asthma	90	Urticaria	190
Emphysema	9	Ecthyma	42
Morbid Dentition	391	Acne	20
Gastritis, Chronic	69	Whitlow	304
Enteritis	54	Warts	25
Peritonitis	39	Ulcers	435
Ascites	65	Ganglion	29
Hernia, Inguinal	178	Abortions	9
" Femoral	64	Cleft Palate	13
" Umbilical	4	Idiocy	7
Colic	220	Fractures	189
Constipation	470	Contusions	340
Fistula in Ano	21	Dislocations	44
Jaundice	74	Excoriations	252
Dyspepsia	589	Childbirth	50
Hæmorrhoids	319	Wounds, Gunshot	13
Diseases of Teeth	530	" Incised	107
Diabetes	7	" Punctured	123
Bright's Disease	16	Burns and Scalds	359
Cystitis	83	Frostbite	130
Orchitis	46	Bite of Dog	9
Varicocele	48	Foreign Substances removed	
Hydrocele	30	from various parts of the	
Uterine Disease	866	body	80
Joint Diseases	93	Tumors	65
Necrosis	55	Otorrhœa	240
Periostitis	219	Ozæna	136
Abscess	482	Aphonia	9
Lichen	96	Lead Poisoning	22
Eczema	240	Phlegmasia Dolens	26
Herpes	114	Vaccinations performed	6,270
Rupia	28		

DONATIONS

FOR THE THREE YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1873.

Andrews, A. H. & Co.	\$ 10 00	Field, Leiter & Co.	\$ 10 00
Armour, Dole & Co.	10 00	Fuller & Fuller.....	10 00
Alston, Devoe & Co.	5 00	Furst & Bradley Mfg Co.	25 00
Austrian, Leopold.....	3 00	Griggs & Co.	3 00
Bowen, Ira P. & Co.	5 00	Glade & Sievers.....	5 00
Bowen, Hunt & Winslow.....	10 00	Greenebaum, J., Jr.	2 00
Bowen Bros.	10 00	Groene, Lewis.....	3 00
Bryan, A. B.	5 00	Greensfelder, Rosenthal & Co. ..	5 00
Belding Bros. & Co.	2 00	Hibbard & Spencer.....	10 00
Bluthardt, T. J.	10 00	Hooper, C. & G. & Co.	5 00
Buchanan, Carpenter & Co.	2 00	Hubbard, Gilbert.....	10 00
Brennan & Burt.....	5 00	Holden, F. K.	50 00
Blair, Wm. & Co.	5 00	Hooker, H. M.	5 00
Bishop, A. E.	35 00	Hale Brothers.....	5 00
Bauer, J. & Co.	5 00	Haskell & Dudley.....	5 00
Byrne, J. H.	10 00	Heath & Milligan.....	5 00
Buck & Raynor.....	10 00	Henderson, C. M. & Co.	5 00
Bliss & Sharp.....	10 00	Hamlin, Hale & Co.	5 00
Blatchford, E. W.	10 00	James, J. S.	25 00
Buchman, A. & Co.	12 00	Kimball, W. W.	5 00
Baxter & Co.	2 00	Keen & Cooke.....	9 00
Bradner, Smith & Co.	10 00	Keith Brothers.....	5 00
Cooper, C. J.	2 50	Lichtenstein, A. & Co.	2 00
Cragin Bros. & Co.	5 00	Lombard, Benjamin.....	5 00
Coan & TenBroek Mfg Co.	20 00	Lord, Smith & Co.	10 00
Cash, sundry persons.....	29 00	Law, George.....	5 00
Crosby, Albert.....	5 00	Lipman, A.	5 00
Collins & Burgie.....	5 00	Lyon & Healy.....	5 00
Crerar, Adams & Co.	5 00	Ludwig Brothers.....	5 00
Crighton, John.....	10 00	Lee, John P.	5 00
Chase Bros. & Co.	5 00	McCreary, Smith & Co.	5 00
Curtis, Henry.....	5 00	Mattson, W. & Co.	2 00
Day, Allen & Co.	10 00	Marder, Luse & Co.	5 00
Drake, J. B.	5 00	Meyer, J. L.	5 00
Drew, J. G.	25 00	Medlener, F.	5 00
Degenhardt, C.	10 00	Murry Nelson & Co.	5 00
Dwight, A. F.	5 00	McCready, Smith & Allen.....	5 00
Doggett, Bassett & Hills.....	5 00	Nickerson, Samuel M.	10 00
Dale & Heiland.....	5 00	North-Western Mfg. Co.	125 00
Dyche, D. R. & Co.	10 00	North-Western Horse Nail Co. ..	20 00
Eberhardt, J. F.	10 00	Ogden, Sheldon & Co.	10 00
Farwell, J. V. & Co.	20 00	Pullman Palace Car Co.	5 00
Fairbanks, Peck & Co.	10 00	Purinton & Scranton.....	5 00
Furst & Bradley.....	50 00	Pahlman & Co.	10 00

Phelps, Dodge & Palmer.....	\$ 5 00	Schuttler, Peter	\$ 30 00
Pitts' (H. A.) Sons.....	25 00	Sturgess, F.	10 00
Parke, Jennings & Co.	35 00	Schoellkopf, Henry & Bro.	5 00
Platt, Thorn & Maynard.....	5 00	Seeberger & Breakey.....	5 00
Parsons, John.....	5 00	Teal, Edward M.	5 00
Reynolds, Reed & Co.	5 00	Talman & King.....	5 00
Randall, Geo. P.	2 00	Templeton, Hugh.....	20 00
Ross & Gossage.....	5 00	Willard, P. H.	5 00
Rhodes & Bradley.....	8 25	Woltersdorf, C.	5 00
Randall, W. L.	5 00	Whitehouse, W. F.	2 60
Rudolph & Thomalen.....	5 00	Walsh, F. G.	2 00
Root & Cady.....	5 00	Wahl Brothers.....	5 00
Sandhagen Bros.	1 00	Warner & Brother.....	5 00
Sweet, Henry.....	20 00	Wyeth, Jno. & Bro.	5 00
Snyder & Barbour.....	5 00	Wiley, B. B.	5 00
Stanley, J. W.	2 00	Wright, Robert C.	2 00
Sawyer, C. B. & Co.	5 00	Walsh, J. R.	20 00
Stow, N. L.	2 50	Walworth, Furse & Co.	5 00
Sturgis, MacAlister & Co.	5 00	Wright, James.....	3 00
Scoville & Harvey.....	5 00	White, Samuel J.	6 00
Sargent, E. H.	10 00		

BY-LAWS

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OF

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CENTRAL FREE DISPENSARY OF WEST CHICAGO.

OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION.

The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, to be selected by ballot annually from among the Directors, and the officers so selected shall be *ex-officio* an Executive Committee.

PRESIDENT.

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Directors and Executive Committee, countersign all orders drawn by the Secretary on the Treasurer for money, and call special meetings of the Directors or of the Executive Committee when he may deem it necessary, or whenever he is requested in writing to do so by any three Directors.

VICE-PRESIDENT.

The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in his absence, and in case of death, resignation, or removal from the city, of the President, the Vice-President shall be *ex-officio* President until the end of his term.

SECRETARY.

The Secretary shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Directors and Committee, draw all orders for money on the Treasury, have the sole custody and use of the corporate seal, make and sign all certificates of election of Directors, and see that they are recorded according to law.

TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall have the custody and disbursement of all moneys belonging to the corporation, (except as hereinafter provided), and shall invest the same only on the order of the Secretary, countersigned by the President, subject to the approval of a majority of the Directors.

He shall give the corporation a bond, with security, to be approved by a vote of a majority of the Directors, (or by all the other members of the Executive Committee), in the sum which may be from time to time fixed by a vote of a majority of the Directors, conditional for the proper keeping, use, disbursement, investment, and transfer to his successor, of all moneys of the corporation which may come into his hands.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE DISPENSARY.

The Executive Committee shall appoint a Financial Superintendent, a Medical Superintendent, and a Medical Staff of the Dispensary, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, who shall be physicians, and shall hold their office during the pleasure of a majority of said Committee, and who shall constitute a Board for the medical management of the Dispensary.

FINANCIAL SUPERINTENDENT.

The Financial Superintendent shall devise ways and means for meeting the expenses of the Dispensary; shall receive all the funds designed for that purpose by the Board of Directors, and all received as donations from private individuals, and shall out of such funds pay all bills against such Dispensary. He shall semi-annually render a written statement of all the business of his office to the Executive Committee. He shall, to the utmost of his ability, purchase promptly the supplies required at any time by the Medical Superintendent.

THE MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

The Medical Superintendent shall see that the Dispensary is open at the regular hours, and that the members of the staff are prompt and punctual to perform the duties assigned them, and that the professional work of the institution is performed in the most complete manner possible. He shall employ an apothecary, whose labors he shall supervise and direct, at such a salary as the Medical Staff may recommend, and the Executive Committee approve. He shall make out all requisitions for medicines, instruments, supplies, and materials needed in his department, to the Financial Superintendent, by whom all purchases must be made. The Superintendent shall attend daily, Sundays and legal holidays in his discretion excepted, at the Dispensary; and shall present semi-annually to the Executive Committee, a report of the number of patients treated during the preceding six months, the diseases with which they were affected, and the leading facts which may be of general interest in connection therewith.

PHYSICIANS.

The Physicians constituting the medical corps of attendants of the Dispensary, shall attend daily at a stated hour; shall give plain and careful directions for mixing and using the medicines they may prescribe, and, as far as practicable, are requested to use formulas contained in the list of prescriptions prepared for the Dispensary. In case any of them are from any cause unable to attend to their regular duties, they shall report the fact to the Medical Superintendent, who shall appoint or assign some physician temporarily to fill the place; and each medical officer of the Dispensary shall enter in a general register, to be provided by the Superintendent, and kept at the Dispensary, the name, age, residence, place of birth, condition, disease, and result of the treatment of each patient under his charge; and no medical officer shall resign without giving at least one month's notice to the Superintendent in writing.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Directors shall meet annually, the first Tuesday in April, or as soon thereafter as a quorum can be assembled, and seven shall constitute a quorum for business. A majority of those present and voting, shall bind the corporation, unless otherwise specified in the By-Laws, and in the absence of the President or Vice-President may elect a President *pro tem*.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS.

Any person of good moral character may at any meeting be elected a Director, the vote to be by ballot, and a majority of the Board then Directors shall be necessary to an election.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee shall have power to act on behalf of the corporation in all things (excepting the loaning of money and the election of Trustees) not contrary to law, and during the interval between the meeting of the Directors, may fill *ad interim* any vacancy in the executive and other offices until the next meeting of Directors.

SPECIAL MEETINGS.

Special meetings of the Directors shall be called by the President giving a written notice thereof to the Secretary at least one week before the time of such meeting, and the Secretary shall thereupon give a notice in writing, in person or by mail, to each Director; and the Directors shall each give his address to the Secretary, who shall keep the same in his books for reference.

ALTERATION OF BY-LAWS.

The By-Laws may be altered or amended at any legal meeting of the Directors, provided that notice of the proposed amendment shall be given to the Executive Committee by the party proposing it, at least one month before such meeting, and the notice calling such meeting (if a special one) shall be attended with a copy of the proposed amendment.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

OF THE

MEDICAL STAFF

OF THE

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MEDICAL STAFF OF THE CENTRAL FREE DISPENSARY.

I.

The Staff shall be divided into attending, visiting and consulting physicians. Attending physicians shall be required to labor in the Dispensary only. Visiting physicians shall visit and prescribe for patients at their homes, and shall report daily at the Dispensary for orders. They shall make a weekly report, in writing, to the Medical Superintendent, of their work. Additions to the attending physicians shall be made from the list of visiting physicians only.

II.

The Medical Staff shall meet once every month for the transaction of business. One-half the attending staff shall constitute a quorum.

III.

The officers of the Staff shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and the Medical Superintendent and Financial Superintendent *ex-officio*. The President, Vice-President and Secretary shall be elected annually, in January. Their duties shall be the usual parliamentary duties of presiding at meetings of the Staff and keeping records thereof.

IV.

The executive officers of the Staff shall be the Superintendents, who shall carry out all the regulations and laws of this body in good faith with the By-Laws of the Board of Directors. In case of the death or absence of either of the Superintendents, the other shall assume his duties temporarily.

V.

The Medical Superintendent shall see that the Dispensary is open at the regular hours, and that the members of the Staff are prompt and punctual to perform the duties assigned them, and that the professional work of the institution is performed in the most complete manner possible. He shall employ an Apothecary whose labors he shall supervise and direct, at such salary as the Staff may approve. He shall make out all requisitions for medicines, instruments, supplies and materials needed in his department, to the Financial Superintendent, by whom all purchases must be made.

VI.

Each member of the Staff shall punctually attend the Dispensary at the time, and perform promptly the duties assigned him. The Apothecary shall keep a record of all attendance of the Staff at the Dispensary, and report the same to the Medical Superintendent, which report shall be read at each monthly meeting of the Staff.

VII.

The Financial Superintendent shall devise ways and means for meeting the expenses of the Dispensary ; shall receive all funds designed for this purpose by the Board of Directors, and all received as donations from private individuals, and shall, out of such funds, pay all bills against the Dispensary. He shall semi-annually render a written statement of all the business of his office, which may be a duplicate of that rendered the Board of Directors. He shall, to the utmost of his ability, purchase promptly the supplies required at any time by the Medical Superintendent.

VIII.

The professional work inside the Dispensary shall be divided into specialties, as follows :

1. Surgery.
2. Gynæcology and Obstetrics.
3. Diseases of the Chest and Air Passages.
4. Diseases of the Nervous System.
5. Dermatology and Venereal Diseases.
6. Diseases of the Kidneys and Urinary Organs.
7. Diseases of Children.
8. Diseases of the Eye and Ear.

9. Diseases of the Teeth.
10. Unclassified Diseases, and Vaccinations.

Gentlemen shall be appointed to attend to these specialties by vote of the Staff, and as far as may be, as they respectively elect. Visiting physicians shall be assigned respectively to districts of the city by vote of the Staff, as far as may be, in the vicinity of their homes.

IX.

These Regulations may be amended at any regular meeting by a majority vote of the Staff, provided, notice of an intention to amend be given at a previous regular meeting.

